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SUBJ: REPORT OF PRESIDENTIAL MEETING WITH ARMENIAN-AMERICANS

1. SO FAR, FOUR TURKISH NEWSPAPERS HAVE CARRIED IN STRAIGHT-FORWARD MANNER AN ASSOCIATED PRESS ACCOUNT OF A WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION GIVEN BY PRESIDENT CARTER FOR "SEVERAL HUNDRED" REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ARMENIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY ON MAY 16. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, THE PRESIDENT, "APPARENTLY REFERRING TO A CAMPAIGN BY TURKS AGAINST ARMENIANS AROUND THE TURN OF THE CENTURY, SAID IT WAS 'PROBABLY ONE OF THE GREATEST TRAGEDIES TO EVER BEFALL ANY ONE GROUP'." NO EDITORIAL COMMENT HAS YET APPEARED.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: THE GOT IS EXTREMELY SENSITIVE ON THE ARMENIAN ISSUE, WHICH IT BELIEVES IS USED FOR PROPGANDA PURPOSES BY GROUPS HOSTILE TO TURKEY. THIS SENSITIVITY HAS BEEN SHARPENED IN RECENT YEARS BY THE MURDERS OF SEVEN TURKISH
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DIPLOMATS FOR WHICH ARMENIAN GROUPS CLAIMED CREDIT. IN ORDER TO RESPOND TO POSSIBLE INQUIRIES HERE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING APPROPRIATE BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE RECEPTION. SPIERS

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